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In re Application of:

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For: MACHINE-ASSISTED TRANSLATION TOOLS

§ Group Art Unit: 2747

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Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

In response to the Office Action dated March 29, 2000, Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments and reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections and objections. Entry of the amendments advanced herein is considered proper as they prima facie put the claims in a condition for allowance and in the alternative, reduce the issues on appeal.

Amendments

Please amend claim 1.

1. (Twice Amended) A method for processing source information comprising the steps of:

parsing input source information into elements;

identifying a source placeable element by predetermined criteria; and

converting at least a portion of the source placeable element into a target placeable element.

17. (Twice Amended) A computer driven language processing system for processing source information comprising:

a parser;

an element identifier, connected to an output of said parser;

a type designator, connected to an output of said element identifier; and

a placeable converter.

18. (Amended) A computer driven language processing system for processing source information comprising:

a parser for parsing source information into elements;

an element identifier identifying placeable elements by a predetermined criteria;

a type designator for designating said placeable elements by type; and

a placeable converter.

23. (Amended) A method for processing source information according to claim 1, wherein the step of converting mathematical calculations [is] are automatic.--

Please add claim 24:

-- 24. A method for processing source information comprising the steps of:

parsing input source information into elements;

identifying a source placeable element by predetermined criteria; and

calculating at least a portion of the source placeable element into a target placeable element.--